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In re the Application of: James E. Akiyama
(inventor(s))

Application No.: 09/164,898

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For: Virtualized Striping Controller
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned case, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendment and to consider the following remark.

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